

worked to inform other representatives about the potentially damaging effects of this new cost of doing business with governments, and our legislation has attracted over 230 cosponsors, H.R. 1023.

Despite my opposition to the overarching legislation, I sincerely hope members of both parties can continue to work in a bipartisan fashion—as we have done on these three issues to-date. It is important that we move ahead with this important individual and business tax relief through legislation members from both parties can support, and not in the context of controversial new tax increases on the American people.

A PROCLAMATION HONORING THE DEDICATION OF CAMP SHERMAN GATE POST

HON. ZACHARY T. SPACE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2007

Mr. SPACE. Madam Speaker:

Whereas, Camp Sherman became a military camp for local soldiers on June 8, 1917; and Whereas, the camp would come to serve over 40,000 soldiers; and

Whereas, Camp Sherman trained soldiers, nursed them back to health and instructed them on agricultural issues; and

Whereas, the gates at Camp Sherman are dedicated for those that have passed through them, for those men that have borne the battle; now, therefore, be it

Resolved that along with his friends, family, and the residents of the 18th Congressional District, I applaud Camp Sherman and honor the soldiers that have entered through the post.

TRIBUTE TO MS. DING-WEN HSU

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2007

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Ms. Ding-Wen Hsu for her service to our community.

Ms. Ding-Wen Hsu enriches both the economic and cultural well-being of our community. She is cofounder and majority shareholder of Pacific Western Technologies Ltd., one of the fastest growing companies in Colorado. She is also a founder of the Colorado Dragon Boat Festival and actively involved in her family foundation, the International Multi-Cultural Institute.

As a national fellow of the Asian Pacific American Women's Leadership Institute, she attended a training program that focused on self-discovery. "I discovered that I need to lead and make a difference," Ding-Wen comments. "I feel very fortunate that I got to live in two very different cultures. I felt I should use my gift."

She does so primarily through her community endeavors. The Colorado Dragon Boat Festival, for example, offers a unique cultural experience that builds awareness, knowledge and understanding among the diverse Asian communities. The mission of the International Multi-Cultural Institute is to promote harmony, eliminate prejudice and discrimination, combat

community deterioration, and defend human and civil rights.

HONORING COLUMBUS HOUSE, INCORPORATED AS IT CELEBRATES ITS 25TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2007

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to join the New Haven community in celebrating the 25th anniversary of Columbus House, a shelter and service provider for the homeless of the greater New Haven region. Throughout their 25 years, Columbus House has given countless people the support they need to become self-reliant and productive members of the community, providing a path to recovery and the ability to attain their goals. The shelter was the brain child of Cynthia DeLouise, founding executive director, members of the Downtown Cooperative Ministry and the city of New Haven.

Columbus House opened in November 1982 and provided shelter for its first person in need—a 19-year-old woman who needed housing and food. In the first two years, Columbus House served more than 1,000 individuals. Most all of the beds were filled by men, but in the fall of 1984, Columbus House designated 16 beds specifically for women. It was New Haven's first shelter for homeless men and women. The original mission was to provide basic food and shelter services, however, the organization quickly learned it needed to understand and address the problems that lead to homelessness. Columbus House began to broaden its mission by providing case management services in the areas of mental health, substance abuse, HIV/AIDS, and trauma/abuse. Columbus House has also been nationally recognized for its innovative programs. One such program is the 90-day length of stay program, in which the residents set goals for themselves and develop a timetable in which to achieve them. This program proved to be a powerful incentive tool to enroll clients into counseling and treatment services. Columbus House also charges residents a nominal fee for their stay, a practice which promotes the ultimate goal of self-reliance.

The dual mission of Columbus House is what makes it so unique, remarkable and valuable to the New Haven community. Providing emergency shelter is a critical community service. Columbus House is not only emergency shelter beds; its wide array of shelter services is extraordinary. Its outreach services include a mobile crisis van and outreach workers who try to link the mentally ill with the treatment and services they require. Columbus House also launched the Citizens Project in 1996, which trains formerly homeless individuals to participate on boards and committees of social service agencies. In 2002, it implemented the mentor project which trains people in early recovery to become mentors in social service agencies throughout the community. Columbus House strives to help residents become self-sufficient and able to maintain permanent housing.

In addition to providing counseling job training and medical care Columbus House aims to cultivate a sense of self-worth, self-dignity and self-reliance in those who feel that their

lives are beyond their control. It is rebuilding the client's sense of self that is the key to the program's success. Columbus House gives residents the tools to handle life on their own and to effectively seek resolutions to their problems.

In September 2002, Columbus House literally broke new ground with the opening of its new facility, three times the size of the former shelter. This new shelter building has increased the capacity to 101 beds, doubling the amount of clients it is able to serve. This new building is clean, safe and accessible and provides a sense of pride and accomplishment for the staff, volunteers, and all of the clients.

It is unconscionable to know that homelessness remains a crisis in our communities and across the Nation; people are still hungry, seeking refuge under bridges, and living on our streets. The sad truth is that approximately 33,000 people are homeless in Connecticut, and approximately 2,000 are living in New Haven. Without the caring and compassionate work of the staff and volunteers at Columbus House, these numbers would be even more devastating. I would be remiss if I did not mention the incredible work and creative vision of Alison Cunningham, the executive director of Columbus House since 1998. It is also important to note that volunteers provide some of the most essential services of medical care, dental care, legal counseling, and spiritual guidance. Volunteers over the years have also brought gifts for holidays and have organized various fund-raising events. Our communities would not be the same without the efforts of folks such as these, whose energy, compassion, and commitment touches people's lives every day. I have tremendous admiration for community service and those who provide it.

The work of caring for the homeless has become increasingly difficult. Many people no longer care about the plight of the homeless and are frustrated by the complex issues that contribute to homelessness. I commend Columbus House for facing all of the issues that surround homelessness and continuing to work every day to resolve them for the past 25 years. Congratulations on this remarkable milestone and for all the lives in need that you have quietly touched every day. I thank you, and I am grateful for over two decades of service to the greater New Haven region.

A PROCLAMATION HONORING CHARLES DEAN DAVIS FOR HIS SERVICE IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY, 40TH SIGNAL BATTALION

SPEECH OF

HON. ZACHARY T. SPACE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, November 9, 2007

Mr. SPACE. Madam Speaker:

Whereas, Charles Dean Davis served in the United States Army from 1966–1968; and

Whereas, he served in Vietnam from 1966–1967; and

Whereas, Charles Dean Davis is the recipient of the Vietnam Service Medal; and

Whereas, he is the recipient of the National Defense Service Medal; and

Whereas, Charles Dean Davis is the recipient of the Vietnam Campaign Medal; now, therefore, be it

Resolved that along with his friends, family, and the residents of the 18th Congressional District, I commend and thank Charles Dean Davis for his contributions to his community and country.

TRIBUTE TO IRMA WYHS

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2007

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Irma Wyhs for her service to our community.

For half a century, as a writer, historian and citizen advocate Irma Wyhs has been showing how deeply she cares about her community. She is admired for her adeptness at advising, encouraging, cajoling, and publicizing community leaders and their organizations. Clear Creek Living History Museum, which Irma founded, exemplifies her tenacious spirit.

Ms. Wyhs has left her imprint on many other establishments in our community, such as the Foothills Art Center where she was the first director and the Golden Pioneer Museum.

Irma Wyhs has written for numerous publications, including the history page of the Golden Transcript. Currently she is writing articles for the Fence Post about Zebulon Pike and his descendants to mark the 200th anniversary of his exploration of the Southwest.

IN RECOGNITION OF DELAWARE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE'S AFGHAN-IRAQ VETERANS COMMEMORATIVE TREE

HON. JOE SESTAK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2007

Mr. SESTAK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the planting and dedication of a memorial tree at Delaware County Community College in Media, Pennsylvania. This tree was given in grateful appreciation to Delaware County Community College students who have and will serve as members of the United States Armed Forces in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Since its founding in 1967, countless students from Delaware County Community College have answered the call to duty. These brave young men and women have proudly served our Nation in every conflict fought during the college's 40-year existence, including in the current conflicts in Afghanistan and Iraq. To date, over 100 members of the student body, and at least 300 people who are part of the DCCC community, have served in Afghanistan or Iraq. In addition, many students who are in Reserve or National Guard units expect to be called to active duty in the near future.

The tree planted today honors those who have served. This tree will speak to future generations. It will be a living tribute to those who pass through the College now and in the future that our students, when called upon, proudly responded. The accompanying plaque will be a permanent reminder of the courage and character these students have shown through the service given and sacrifices made for their country.

I would like to acknowledge Dr. Jerry Parker, president of Delaware County College, and Professor Labron K. Shuman for their commitment to the conception, development, and establishment of this remembrance. Their desire to honor the students who have fought for freedom embodies the spirit of true patriotism.

I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the students, faculty, staff, administrators, and alumni of Delaware County Community College who have contributed to the creation of this memorial, and in honoring the veterans to whom the memorial is admirably dedicated.

A PROCLAMATION HONORING THE OHIO ARMY NATIONAL GUARD MCCONNELLSVILLE-BASED 2ND BATTALION, 174TH AIR DEFENSE ARTILLERY REGIMENT'S HOME-COMING

HON. ZACHARY T. SPACE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2007

Mr. SPACE. Madam Speaker, Whereas, the Ohio Army National Guard McConnellsville-based 2nd Battalion, 174th Air Defense Artillery Regiment will return home with great pride; and

Whereas, the following members of the 2nd Battalion, 174th Air Defense Artillery Regiment are recognized: Abella, Timothy John Apperson, Cory Allen Armstrong, Adam Reed Babcock, Brian Ray Jr. Baker, Dustin Michael Barnhart, Christopher Lee Boney, Dennis Todd Brookover, Kyle Lee Callahan, Darrick Allen Carr, Matthew Gabriel Cavendish, Jeffrey Brian Collinsworth, Larry Preston Crane, Michael Alan Daniels, Trent Lee Day, Richard Lee Dozer, Zachary Adam Dusenberry, Joshua Robert Eberts, Kevin Shane Elick, Ronald Eugene Eltringham, Alan Lynn Jr. Forrest, Michael Steven J. Franklin, Daniel Johnson French, Ryan Lee Gandee, Eric Michael German, Brandon Alan Gottke, Terry Lynn Graves, Garry Brent Grear, David Thomas Grove, Michael Edward Harden, Wesley Curtis Hardesty, Bryan David Harry, Gayle Wayne Jr. Hebb, Randall Lee Hire, Michael Dean Horn, Derek Kennedy Hoskinson, John Mark Hughes, Todd Michael Ickes, Benjamin Joseph Janey, Robert Matthew Johnson, Adam Ray Keiser, Robert Myron II Klass, Wayne Albert Kussmaul, Robert Glenn II Lambert, John Sherman Larrick, Bradley Ricky Lawrence, Luke Wendall Loader, Andrew Thomas Lytton, Robert Earl III McCarty, Jason Ryan McConnell, Matthew James McIntyre, Donald Gail Jr. McQuain, Joshua Ronald Meredith, Curtis David Meredith, Jeffrey Leonard Mettler, Kevin Lloyd Miles, Jason Allen Moore, Thomas Eugene II Nordine, Justin William Norman, Jason Thomas Payton, George William Pyle, Kathy Lynn Roe, Daren Will Russell, John David Schaad, Steven Paul Slifko, James Lewis III Smith, Adam Douglas Smith, April Dawn Spicer, Joseph Alan Stiltner, Aaron Scott Taylor, Michael Allen Taylor, Steven Russell Jr. Thomas, Joshua David Touvell, William Christopher Tracy, Adam Joshua Tracy, Dustin Jay Waggy, Jason Eric Wagstaff, Christopher Frank Wells, Michael Dean Jr. Williams, Shane Casey Wilson, Joel Alan and Yinger, Steven Mark.

Whereas, they have done an extraordinary job supporting Operation Noble Eagle in the National Capital Region; and

Whereas, they will reflect with great pride on achieving the highest average during training on the Norwegian Advanced Surface to Air Missile System; be it

Resolved that along with friends, family, and the residents of the 18th Congressional District, I commend the Ohio Army National Guard McConnellsville-based 2nd Battalion, 174th Air Defense Artillery Regiment for their commitment, recognizing that all great achievements are a result of dedication. With great appreciation and respect, I wish you continued success.

TRIBUTE TO KATHERINE REDMOND

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2007

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Ms. Katherine Redmond for her service to our community.

Kathy Redmond was the first person to use Title IX as a remedy for rape by an athlete in a higher education institution. Her Title IX case against the University of Nebraska and the rape perpetrators was settled in 1997.

Shortly afterwards, she formed the National Coalition Against Violent Athletes. Kathy has forged herself as a national expert in athlete violence and response, and counseled more than 250 women affected by athlete violence. Intent upon eradicating the problem, she has started INTERCEPT, a 3-day violence prevention and response program for athletes.

Kathy volunteers for the First Judicial District attorney's office diversion program teaching victim empathy to men in the program. She has also authored and lobbied rape shield legislation.

INTRODUCING LEGISLATION TO HONOR THEODOR CRIVEANU FOR SAVING ROMANIAN JEWS DURING THE HOLOCAUST

HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2007

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida. Madam Speaker, I am pleased to rise today to introduce legislation with my colleagues and friends Representatives DAN BURTON, CHRIS SMITH, and LINDA SÁNCHEZ that will properly recognize the selfless efforts to save innocent lives during the Holocaust of Theodor Criveanu and all other righteous individuals.

Non-Jews who sacrificed their lives in an effort to save Jews from their fate at the Nazi's hands are known to the world as the "Righteous Persons." The most renowned among these righteous persons is probably Oscar Schindler. Oscar Schindler should rightly be recognized as the altruistic and extraordinarily courageous non-Jew who saved more Jewish lives from the gas chambers than any other.